

CURRICULUM VITAE

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EDUCATION

Cranbrook Academy of Art, Bloomfield Hills, MI
M.F.A., 3D Design 2011

Parsons School of Design, New York, NY
A.A.S., Interior Design 2001-2002
Dean's List Spring 2002

University of North Carolina-Asheville, Asheville, NC
B.A., Literature 1993-1995
Dean's List Spring 1995

University of Wisconsin-Madison, Madison, WI
Studied English Literature and Fine Arts 1990-1993

WORK EXPERIENCE

Director of Columbus Woodshop, School of the Art Institute of Chicago. Chicago, IL 2013-present
Furniture Designer/Builder, New York, NY/St. Paul, MN/Gaylord, MI 2002-present
Contributing Editor, *American Woodworker*, St. Paul, MN 2005-present
Furniture Designer, Martha Stewart Omnimedia, New York, NY 2003-2004
Interior Designer, GRADE Architects, New York, NY 2003-2004
Artist/Designer/Fabricator, for artist Ted Esselstyn, Higganaum, CT 2002-2003

EXHIBITION & COLLECTIONS

Chicagoland Re-Mix, Group Exhibition
Guerrilla Truck Show, Chicago, IL Summer 2014

'Chair as Art: Back to Our Roots', Group Exhibition
Lois Lambert Gallery, Santa Monica, CA Summer 2014

'Craft + Design', Group Exhibition
Fifth Floor Gallery, Los Angeles, CA Summer 2014

Parsons Alumni Exhibition, Group Exhibition
Aronson Gallery, New York, NY Fall 2014

'Hands On: Conceptual Craft Research', Group Exhibition
ICFF, New York, NY Summer 2013

Wasserman Projects, Group Exhibition
Wasserman Gallery, Birmingham, MI Winter 2013

Wingback Chair: Private Collection Acquisition
Gary L. Wasserman and Charles Kashner, Metamora, MI permanent

'New (...And Then) Again', Group Exhibition
Cranbrook Art Museum, Bloomfield Hills, MI Fall 2012

'Working Title' (An Exhibition On How We Work) for the Detroit Design Festival
Gallery Compuware, Detroit, MI Fall 2012

'SCALE' Exhibition in the NOHO Design District for ICFF
Standard Hotel Cooper Square, New York, NY Summer 2012

'Where Are You Going, Where Have You Been' Juried Exhibition for The Furniture Society Conference
Lewis Gallery at Portland Public Library, Portland, ME Summer 2012

'New Life for Connecticut Trees' Exhibition with City Bench Furniture
Connecticut Historical Society Museum, Hartford, CT Fall 2011

'Into the Network' Group Exhibition
Studio Couture Detroit, Detroit MI Fall 2011

'STORE' Exhibition with Object Design League
Guerrilla Truck Show, Chicago, IL Spring 2011

'City Bench Pop-Up Store' Exhibition
Project Storefronts Initiative, New Haven, CT Summer 2011

Monolith Chair: Private Collection Acquisition
Maxine and Stuart Frankel Foundation for Art, Troy, MI permanent

'Experiencing Perspectives'
Mercedes Benz America's Headquarters, Farmington Hills, MI 2011-2012

'Four Sale' Exhibition with Max Lamb
Forum Gallery at Cranbrook Academy of Art, Bloomfield Hills, MI Fall 2011

'Detroit is Here' Group Exhibition
Studio Couture Detroit, Detroit MI, Spring 2011

Quint Coatrack: Private Collection Acquisition
Elliot and Liz Bank, Bloomfield Hills, MI 2011

Design Quest Furniture Competition Finalist
Design Quest, Grand Rapids, MI 2011

Parsons School of Design at Art Basel/Miami
Caridi Gallery, North Miami, FL Winter 2010

'A -a puzzle' Group Show
Museum of New Art, Pontiac, MI Winter 2010

Wingback Chair: Private Collection Acquisition
Maxine and Stuart Frankel Foundation for Art, Troy, MI permanent

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS/PROFESSIONAL WRITING

Compare and Contrast, Book Review of 'Turning to Art in Wood'
American Craft Magazine, March 2012

Missteps and Magnificence, Book Review of 'Furniture with Soul: Master Woodworkers and Their Craft'
American Craft Magazine, October/November 2011

Veneering, Part II
Woodworkers Guild Of America, www.wwgoa.com Summer 2011

Veneering, Part I
Woodworkers Guild Of America, www.wwgoa.com Spring 2011

Kitchen Step Stool
Woodworkers Guild Of America, www.wwgoa.com Winter 2010

Replacing a Bent Lamination
Woodworkers Guild Of America, www.wwgoa.com Summer 2010

3 Shop Made Router Base Plates
Woodworkers Guild Of America, www.wwgoa.com Summer 2010

Slab Top Bench Project,
Woodworkers Guild Of America, www.wwgoa.com Summer 2009

American Masterworks: Mission Oak Dining Table: Build a Classic from the Arts and Crafts Era
American Woodworker December/January 2009. Cover Story

ShopBot CNC Router: Computerized Routing Transforms a Small Shop
American Woodworker September 2008

Greene and Greene Style Mailbox: Signature Details Create an Elegant Box
American Woodworker May 2008

Elegant and Easy Bookcases: Build a Pair in One Weekend
The Family Handyman April 2008

Bandsawn Dovetails: Hand Cut Appearance With Half the Fuss
American Woodworker November 2007. Cover Story

Bathroom Cabinet: Turn Wasted Space Into Storage Space
The Family Handyman October 2007

Sliding-Door Walnut Bookcase: Glass Doors Keep the Dust Out
American Woodworker September 2007. Cover Photo

Simple Steam Box: Bending Wood Starts With a Plywood Box and a Steam Kettle
American Woodworker July 2007

Steam Bent Music Stand: The Ups and Downs of Learning How to Bend Wood
American Woodworker July 2007

Urban Lumber: Harvest Great Wood in the Heart of the City
American Woodworker July 2007

Kitchen Stool: How a Router Can Make Round Legs, Round Rungs and a Dished Seat
American Woodworker April/May 2007. Cover Story

Easy Tablesaw Jigs: Unlock Your Saw's Full Potential
American Woodworker January 2007

3 Tapered Legs on The Jointer: Advanced Jointer Techniques Yield Smooth, Consistent Tapers
American Woodworker January 2007

Dovetailed Tool Box: Fill It, Carry It, Bang It Around: These Joints Will Last Forever
American Woodworker November 2006

Bookmatch Veneer Tips: Build Your Skills.
American Woodworker October 2006

Greene & Greene Book Shelf.
American Woodworker October 2006. Cover Photo

Router Tips: Nine Applications for the Plunge Router.
American Woodworker May 2006

Tips For Installing Shelf Pin Supports.
American Woodworker November 2005

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Lawrence Technical University

Critic: Undergraduate Studio Spring 2011

Cranbrook Academy of Art

TA: Studio Liaison Fall 2010, Spring 2011

Cranbrook Academy of Art

TA: Woodshop Fall 2009, Spring 2010, Fall 2010, Spring 2011

University of Detroit-Mercy School of Architecture

Juror: Undergraduate Studio Fall 2010

Minneapolis College of Art and Design

Mentor: Senior Student Kelley Hermes Spring 2009

Minneapolis College of Art and Design

Visiting Artist: Senior Thesis Spring 2009

University of Minnesota School of Architecture

Juror: Undergraduate Studio Spring 2009

SELECTED PROJECTS

Exhibition Design for 'Michigan Modern'; Generate Spatial Arrangement, Floorplans; Re-Utilize Pedestals

Grand Rapids Museum of Art, Grand Rapids, MI 2013

Pedestals, Display Cases and Book Shelves for 'Michigan Modern' Exhibition; Fabricate and Install

Cranbrook Museum of Art, Bloomfield Hills, MI 2013

Reception Desk, Credenza, Lobby Furniture; Design, Fabricate & Install

Sojourn Resort, Gaylord, MI 2013

Surf Clutch; Design, Engineer & Fabricate a Limited Edition Clutch (66 Units)

Tommy Hilfiger, New York, NY 2013

Affina Lounge and Guest Seating; Engineer & Fabricate Prototypes for KI Healthcare

James Design Co. and Cramer Studio, Minneapolis, MN 2012

Vili Office Guest Seating; Design, Engineer & Fabricate Prototypes for Gunlocke Contract Furniture

James Design Co. and Cramer Studio, Minneapolis, MN 2009

Joli, Taquari, Tympani Guest Seating; Design, Engineer & Fabricate Prototypes for Safco Products Co.

James Design Co., Minneapolis, MN 2008

Arisa Collection of Bariatric Furniture; Design, Engineer & Fabricate Prototypes for KI Healthcare
James Design Co. and Cramer Studio, Minneapolis, MN 2008

Reception Desk, Conference Table, Credenza, Waiting Room Furniture; Design & Fabricate
Popular Front Ad Agency (with Pilot Design), Minneapolis, MN 2007

DFV49 and DFA30 Component Stands; Design, Engineer & Fabricate Prototypes for Sanus Systems
Cramer Studio, Minneapolis, MN 2007

Dining Room Table and Set of Ten Chairs; Design, Fabricate & Install
Janssens Residence, Gaylord, MI 2006

Addition to Lake Pepin Residence; Design & Project Manage
Maiden Rock, WI 2005

Reception Desk, Screen, Art and Storage; Design, Fabricate & Install
PhysioArts Phys. Therapist (with GRADE Architects), New York, NY 2004

Kitchen Remodel; Design, Fabricate & Install
Hickey Residence (with GRADE Architects), New York, NY 2004

Kitchen Remodel; Design, Fabricate & Install
Green Residence (with GRADE Architects), New York, NY 2004

Gateleg Table Reproduction; Measure & Fabricate
Fonseca Residence, New York, NY 2003 (*ELLE DÉCOR*; September 2008)

Gallery Reception Desk and Permanent Seating; Design, Fabricate & Install
World Financial Center (with GRADE Architects), New York, NY 2003

Information Kiosk; Design, Engineer & Fabricate for Appleloosa Artworks
Southington Library (with Ted Esselstyn), Southington, CT 2002

SELECTED TRAVEL

Brussels, Bruges, Oostend: Belgium
Design Highlights: Horta House and Museum, Royal Museum of Fine Arts of Belgium May 2008

Reykjavik: Iceland. Amsterdam, Utrecht: Holland. Brussels, Bruges, Oostend: Belgium
Design Highlights: Rietveld/Schroeder House, Canal House Museum October 2007

Helsinki: Finland. Tallinn: Estonia. Riga: Latvia
Design Highlights: Kiasma Museum, Finlandia Hall, and Medieval Cities of Riga, Tallinn June 2004

Rome: Italy. Toulon, Chamonix: France. Madrid, Seville: Spain
Design Highlights: Roman Architecture, Prado & Reina Sofia Museums, Alamillo Bridge June 2004

Solo bicycle ride from Asheville, North Carolina to St. Paul, Minnesota; 1100 miles
Design Highlights: Nature and Rural Appalachia June 1996